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## Milwaukee Youth Council to elect officers

The **City of Milwaukee Youth Council** will elect a president and vice chair during its regular meeting at 4:30 p.m. **on Wednesday, January 14** in the third floor Common Council Chamber at City Hall.

Wednesday's meeting will be televised live on the City Channel on Time Warner Cable (Channel 25) and on AT&T U-Verse (Channel 99) in the City of Milwaukee. It can also be viewed via streaming video on the city website at <a href="www.city.milwaukee.gov/Channel25">www.city.milwaukee.gov/Channel25</a>.

Youth Council members were sworn in on December 3, and the body has already taken up several items, including a proposed community **youth forum**, a **youth court**, and a proposed **Milwaukee Children's Zone**.

The Milwaukee Children's Zone initiative – proposed by Common Council legislation authored by **Alderman José G. Pérez** – seeks to create a "blueprint commission" that would propose a five-year effort to target a densely populated area of the near south side as a "Children's Zone," where neighborhood institutions, faith-based institutions, nonprofit social service providers, healthcare facilities and others would be brought together to improve the health, education and well-being of children and families.

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The creation of a model Children's Zone to initiate comprehensive, multi-dimensional efforts promoting the health and education of children and families on the near south side could provide a laboratory for implementing and evaluating replicable programs and strategies throughout the city, Alderman Pérez has said.

The Milwaukee Youth Council is a body of young leaders aged 14 to 18 interested in government and in making a difference in the Milwaukee community. For more information on the Youth Council please visit <a href="http://city.milwaukee.gov/YouthCouncil">http://city.milwaukee.gov/YouthCouncil</a>.

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